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FOR AMBASSADOR BLAKE

FOLLOWING REPEAT USUN 2992 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ANKARA
LONDON PARIS MOSCOW NICOSIA VIENNA NATO USCINCEUR
ATHENS 30 AUGUST.

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 2992

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CYPRUS IN SC

REF: USUN 2978

1. A WEARY SC PASSED THREE-POWER RESOLUTION ON CYPRUS
REFUGEES BY UNANIMOUS VOTE AUGUST 30.

2. MALIK, WHO CONTINUED TO ABUSE POWERS OF THE PRESIDENCY
IN VARIOUS APPARENTLY POINTLESS WAYS, TOOK SEVERAL STEPS
TO SAVE FACE. FIRST, HE DELAYED OPENING OF MEETING UNTIL
AFTER 11, WHICH HAD AT ONE POINT ON AUGUST 29 BEEN PROPOSED
BY HIM AS OPENING HOUR. HE ALSO INSISTED SUCCESSFULLY THAT
CYPRUS, GREECE AND TURKEY BE PERMITTED TO SPEAK AT OUTSET
OF DEBATE, BEFORE MEMBERS OF SC. AFTER AUSTRIA ON BEHALF
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CO-SPONSORS HAD INTRODUCED RES, MALIK INSISTED ON

MAKING HIS DEBATE STATEMENT BEFORE THE VOTE.

2. GREEKS, TURKS, AND CYPRIOTS ENGAGED IN HEAVY EXCHANGES, BUT BROKE LITTLE NEW GROUND. MALIK'S LENGTHY INTERVENTION REITERATED ALL HIS FAMILIAR THEMES INCLUDING CHARGES THAT GENEVA ACCORDS IMPOSED ON MAKARIOS AND RECENT UNPLEASANTNESS CAUSED BY MACHINATIONS OF NATO MEMBERS. UK REP MADE STINGING RESPONSE ON THESE AND OTHER POINTS. AMB. SCALI IN STATEMENT AFTER VOTE (SEPTTEL) DISMISSED MALIK'S CHARGES AS UNHELPFUL "FAIRY TALES OUT OF ANOTHER ERA." PRC REP HUANG HUA MADE BLUNT ATTACK ON SOVIET ASPIRATIONS IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN. FOUR TIMES, AFTER UK, FRENCH, US AND CHINESE STATEMENTS, MALIK BLATANTLY ABUSED HIS POSITION AS SC PRES TO GIVE SOVIET RIGHTS OF REPLY, OFTEN LAMELY.

3. IN BRIEF STATEMENT AT END OF SESSION, GREEK PERM REP CARAYANNIS, SECONDED BY CYPRIOT PERM REP ROSSIDES, MADE PARTICULARLY GRACIOUS STATEMENT OF REGRET ON ASSASSINATION OF AMBASSADOR DAVIES.
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